SHANTI
THIRD WORLD CENTRE

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WHAT IS SHANTI?
Shanti is a Hindi word meaning peace. Shanti Third World Centre was set up in 1974 by a Union society at Manchester University in order to promote understanding and action concerning the Third World.

THE SHOP
At the Centre we have a crafts and book shop, selling goods from Peru, India, Sri Lanka and other Third World countries, as well as things nearer home. There is also a wide variety of books, pamphlets, posters and so on. A great place for buying presents! But feel free to come in just for a browse.

CAMPAIGNS
Shanti is involved in many campaigns and projects (see inside). We arrange numerous meetings around the University area, and can help other people with events by providing information on speakers, displays, exhibitions, films and printing. For events like fairs and conferences we can supply stocks of handicrafts and books for stalls.

PEOPLE
Shanti is not, however, just a place but is also a group of people with many different interests. We have many reasons for being involved, but we do try to create a group feeling, which is always open to new faces and new ideas.

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The main function of this newsletter is to inform people of third world activities around Manchester, and we feel it is important in keeping in touch with the many sympathetic folk we come in contact with.

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SHANTI TO RECEIVE GRANT FROM WAR ON WANT!!

We are delighted to announce that we at last achieved a major beakthrough with our fun--ding problems.War on Want - the smallest of the national world development charities - has agreed in principle to approve our application for funds so that we can break out of our present downward spiral.We have yet to finalise the exact amount,but it will be in excess of £6000.This,coupled with surplus from our trading activities,will enable us to appoint a Shop Organiser and an Education Officer from about mid-summer onwards.This will mean many changes,among which we hope will be:

(1) Creating a stromg steering committee of War on Want members - ie a Manchester War On Want group.This committee would assist and be assisted by the paid staff in the running of the whole scheme.

(2) Extending the opening hours of the shop from the current lunchtime period to a full 40-hour week.

(3) Focussing on one or two major areas (based on a geographical area of a theme) in which to concentrate our development education.We are considering the idea of taking up the area of health ;

(4) Setting up a proper legal structure for the financial administration of the project.

The present coordinator is hoping to take up a course in Development Studies in the autumn,leaving the way open for new blood to take over the admin. work.

It is probable that we shall become a membership organisation,in order to define more closely responsibilities,and as a way of raising funds.More details will be available on this in due course.

Certainly the prospect of establishing a branch of War on Want in Manchester opens the way for a wider group of people to get involved in the Centre.With a more worked out prog--ramme,we hope to be able to attract a good variety of new volunteers.The Manchester Returned Volunteer Action group has already stated their interest in the new group and have offered to help - similarly the Third World Society.Things are beginning to happen!

DRUM subscribers in Manchester will be receiving with this newsletter a circular inviting them to a meeting on March 18th at Shanti,at which we intend to set up the new group and explore the various implications of our new source of finance.Anyone interested in coming should get in touch as soon as possible.

PART-TIME VACANCIES

- at the Development Education Project,Didsbury College,Manchester 20 (445 2495)

(1) International Workcamps Organiser

Approx £40 per 20-hr.week ,for a 6-months period. Start a.s.a.p.

To identify projects requiring summer time volunteers;organise accommodation; work with volunteers (18-22 tyrs.,from Britain,France,Germany,Holland etc) during workcamps.

Hard work,involving weekend work in the summer.

(2) School Links Co-Ordinator

Approx.£2000 p.a. for half time job.Initially 12 months duration,but with possibility of 2 year extension after assessment.To support and work with teachers in schools linking with schools in Sierra Leone;to research ideas and resource materials useful to the link; to help with in service course for teachers.Must have teaching experience;understanding of world issues/developing countries an advantage.Project run by United Nations Assocn.

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WHO NEEDS THE DRUG COMPANIES?

A meeting on MONDAY MARCH 17th at 5.00pm in the Students Union, Meeting Room I.

Speaker...Slides...Discussion...Bookstall

A critical look at the role of the multinational drug companies in Brtiain and the Third World. With speaker Dr. Caroline Barker, lecturer at the Nuffield Institue of Health Services Studies in Leeds. Dr.Barker as worked in Mozambique, advising the govt. on drugs. All welcome!

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TOBACCO

TOMMOROW'S EPIDEMIC...

LET'S FIGHT IT TODAY!

A meeting on THURSDAY MARCH 13th at 5.00pm in the Students Union, MEeting Room I.

Speaker...Slides...Discussion...Bookstall

The dangers to health - the role of the multinational tobacco companies in the Third World - a political perspective.

With DAVID SIMPSON, Director of Action On Smoking and Health.

All welcome!

ARGENINIAN POLITIVAL PRISONER

A case has come to light of an Argentinian Professor of Communications who has been severely tortured and is in a severe condition in La Plata Prison near Buenos Aires.He was found not guilty in 1974,but has been held ever since ,though he has the right of exile. Help is needed to put pressure oh the Home Office to reverse their recent decision to close the door on Latin American Refugees,and grant him a visa for the UK.
For details,contact Paul Morris,834 9503.

RACE TODAY EDITOR ON TRIAL

Darcus Howe,longstanding activist in the Black struggle in Britain,has been arrested on two charges which his supporters say are totally trumped-up and amount to a political victimisation.One case will be heard in London on Marcg 10,the other in Manchester on March 18.
Contact:Action Committee,Race Today,76 Shakespeare Rd,London SE 24.

TEXTILES

The World Development Movement are already eengaged in their 1980 campaign on the thorny question of Textiles production in the UK.This includes work on import controls,the MultiFibre Agreement and industrial adjustment.They are holding meetings with trade unionists,employers, politicians and development activists.
Manchester Contact:Michael Faulkner, 681-4984.

NEW MAGAZINE TO BE LAUNCHED

'Issues' is to be a monthly magazine covering 'a radical new approach to world events'. It will contain news,analysis,debate,reviews, surveys etc.First few issues will cover,eg: Conflicts in SE Asia,Which way for Nicaragua? Cuban Film Festival report;US and Iran etc. THree month trial period,£1.25,from: 96 Gillespie Rd. London N5 1LN.

BRITAIN-CUBA RESOURCES CENTRE

-have just had a conference in Manchester, and are hoping to set up a Northern Branch. They have information about trips to Cuba this summer with the Jose Marti International Brigade.
Contact:Georgia Cassar,061-789 3098.

OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

NORTH YEMEN:Programme Coordinator for evaluation of small scale development projects 2 years minimum,low salary.Job-sharing couples accepted.Previous Middle East exper-ience an advantage.
Nurse/Midwife for indian community in PANAMA. Mainly Health Education and preventive work.
Midwife/Community Nurse in YEMEN.Teaching courses for 'granny-midwives'
HealthEducator/Administrator for YEMEN to design courses for local health workers.
Contact:CIIR,1 Camridge Terrace,London NW1.

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CONSTRUCTION IN RHODESIA

joint appeal has been launched by the ited Churches of the UK for reconstruction d in the new Zimbabwe.They are aiming to ise over £500000 help the local Churches ke a significant contribution to the task of sttling over a million refugees and displ- ced people;rebuilding schools and clinics; ercoming malnutrition due to failed harvests vast areas;etc.

eques to:Rhodesia Appeal,
PO Box No 1,London SW9 8BH .

ntact in Manchester:Christian Aid,
Peteres House,Oxford Rd,M13.(273 3647).

NE WORLD WEEK

a nationwide focus for study and action bout World Development.

organised by the Churches Committee of the orld Dev.Movement.

to be held this year in the week Oct 19-26.

theme this year is "One World...Just Possible?" overing such topics as:food,energy,war,work, ealth,education,trade....

anchester Contact:Chris Hall ,792-4030.

CAMPAIGN COFFEE

he new batch has yet to arrive from London, though we expect it any day.Should definitely e in the shop here by the end of March.The ew - style coffee is in TINS,at about£1 for 00 gm,slightly more expensive.

There is a plan to regionalise the campaign after the loss of the ODA grant .Anyone int- erested in setting up a distribution system from Manchester,contact Jane Sweet,224 3003.

MULTIRACIAL WOMENS CRAFT COOP

- have been trying for some years to set up a workshop for Asian women .They have now rather brighter prospects,since the Corporation have offered premises and there is a good chance of obtaining funds for wages.Contact:226-4632.

JOBS

COMMUNITY PROGRAMME COORDINATOR for a N.London Development Education Centre.
12 months only,from early March.
Full time salaried post.
Ring Archway DEC,01-348 3030.

RETURNED VOLUNTEER ACTION:needs a Develop- ment Policy Worker.£4100,35-hr week. London base.Ring 01-935 9447 very soon. Possible second vacancy for Information Worker.Same terms.

NEW ARMS TARDE SLIDE-TAPE SHOW

"Arming the World": a 25-minute slide-tape show produced by Campaign Against the Arms Trade.Colour,very effective for use with wide range of groups.
Cost:£15 purchase + 50p postage. OR
£2.50 hire + 50p postage.
from CAAT 5 Caledonian Rd,London N1.

BRANDT COMMISSION

Just Published: 'North-South:a Programme for Survival',Pan Books,£1.95.Produced by an inter- national team of experts and politicians including Willy Brandt and Edward Heath. Bolton WEA are interested in setting up an evening class on this topic in Jan 81. Anyone wishing to suggest possible follow up to the Report in Manchester,Contact Colin Archer at Shanti.

PHILIPPINES

CAFOD (Catholic Fund for Overseas Development are lauching a special study/fundraising campaign for the Lent period on the theme of poverty and injustice in the Philippines. There is a special pack + other resources. In Manchester,St Catherines Didsbury are taking this up enthusiastically and have a programme of events for the next 9 months in the pipeline,incl.speakers,films etc. Contact Jeff Seneveratne,434 1672.

ERITREA WEEK 10th-14th MARCH

Manchester

Monday 10th March 12.30p.m.
MDH Owens Students' Union

FILMS: Eritrea '79
Behind the Lines

Tuesday 11th March 7.30p.m.
UMIST Students Union

FILM: Eritrea '79

SPEAKERS: M.McColgan (Univ. of Sheffield) and P.Kelemen (Univ of Manchester). They recently returned from the war front.

Wednesday 13th March 7.30p.m.
St.Peter's Chaplaincy, Precinct Oxford Street.

'Military Rule and Soviet Intervention in Ethiopia'
Mejid Hussein (International African Institu

Thursday 14th March 12.45p.m.
Owens Students Union MR1

'The struggle of Women in the Horn of Africa'
Kirsty Wright (former Reuters correspondent in the Horn)

For further information please contact;

Hilary Nelson
Eritrea Support Committee Manchester
45 Aspinall Street,
Manchester 14

Tel. 225 0548

BOOKS

Some of our latest acquisition in the shop. Suggestions always welcome.

Fire Force Exposed - Anti Apartheid £1.95. Role of Security forces in Rhodesia.

The Arms Bazaar - Anthony Sampson £1.25. Comprehensive account of the Arms Trade.

Chilean Road to Socialism - Ann Zammit, Ed. Reduced to £1. Bargain! Massive anthology.

Child Labour in India - Banerjee, Anti-Slavery Society. £1.

Food First Resource Guide - Institute for Food and Dev. Policy - £1.50. Follow up to: World Hunger - 10 myths - revised edition - £1.10. Excellent guide to food politics.

Political Economy of Human Rights - Chomsky and Herman. Vol1: Washington Connection and Third World Fascism £3.50. Vol 2 After the Cataclysm (Indochina) £3.50. Key documents on comtemporary imperialism.

African Socialism in Practice - the Tanzanian Experience - Ed A. Coulson £2.95.

Changing Face of the Caribbean - Irene Hawkins £3.15

New Internationalist - latest issue on Indochina 40p

Peace News 22.2.80 Article on Food, Health and the Multinationals.

Minority Rights Group Reports - Mexican Indians; Cyprus; Tamils of Sri Lanka; Western Sahara; West Irian, Timor and Indonesia.

Southern Africa After Soweto - Callinicos and Rogers - £2.50. Pluto Press

The Trojan Horse - a Radical Look at Foreign Aid - Ed Weissman £2.35.

A Picture of Health - Eckholm £2.25

Monthly Review - latest - article on U.S. Foreign Policy/interventionism 75p.

Chilean Voices - Henpey and Sorj - £2.50 Voices of activists in Allende period.

Reconstructing British Industry - Abby Riddell, CIIR, 60p. Protectionism and adjustment etc.

List of magazines received on a regular basis:

(ie one copy only for reference)
(no special order)

Action for Development
China Now
SEAD network (Edinburgh)
Overseas Dev Institute papers
Focus (on S,Africa)
Ammesty newsletter
Spur (World Dev Movement)
Future Studies Centre N/letter
Campaign Against Arms Trade bulletin
Christian Aid News
Newspeace (Fellowship of Reconciliation)
Just peace (Pax Christi)
Reconciliation Q'ly (FoR)
Western Sahara Bulletin
Tapol (Indonesian prisoners)
Tranet (Approp.Technology)
Akwesasne Notes (American Indian)
Orbit (VSO)
Movement (Student Christian Movement)
AIM (Mozambique)
Radical Bookseller
Free Palestine
Bother (Young OXfam)
Torness Alliance N/letter
Azure (Arab culture)
Whole Earth
NAME (Nat.Assocn of Multiracial Ed.)

Manhester papers:

City Enquirer
MARC Times
Link Up
GMCVS Bulletin
City LIfe
New Manchester Review/before it died

and so on.....

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MAGAZINES contd

Magazines sold in the shop - no special order:

Outlook - War on Want
Comeback - Ret.Volunteer Action
Links -Third World First
Leveller
Peace News
Chile Fights
Natural Peoples News (Uranium Mining)
Troops Out
Anti Apartheid News
Tempoarary Hoarding (Rock against Racism)
Zimbabwe Information Group
Action on Namibia (SWAPO)
State Research (civil liberties)
The Asian
Bradford Black
Race Today
Searchlight (anti-fascist)
MERIP - Middle East
Pepples Power (Moz,Angola,Guinea)

More domestic moves dept...

COLIN has now moved to new home address:

105 WITHINGTON RD,WHALLEY RANGE,
MANCHESTER M16 7FX
(226-1520)

Please note!
Best times to contact me at the shop:
Mon 11-1,4.30-6.
Tues 11-6
Wed11-1,4.30-6.
Thurs: 11-12,4.30-6
Fri: 11-6

Sorry it's so complicated.

NB Shop itself still open Mon-Fri from 12-2 only.

APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS

We are still in constant need of volunteers to staff the shop during the week.At present there are always gaps in the rota at the beginning of the week,and the absence of regular meetingsmakes this even more difficult. A list of instructions for volunteers is shortly to be produced,hoefully making the job a good bit easier.

CRAFT FAIRS : We are also in need of helpers for outside stalls at fairs and festivals. (Even more useful if you've got transport!).In particular,we have offers of stalls at fairs on the following dates:MARCH 15th;MAY 9th and 10th; and MAY 16th-18th and MAY 29th.

DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION CENTRES FORM AN ASSOCIATION

Two members of Shanti were actively involved inthe organisation of the recent Second National conference of DECs at Fircroft College,Birmingham.It represented an important step in the evolution of the DECs network in the UK (there are some 28 centres so far), since the main result of the meeting was to set up a National Association to represent DECs interests and to encourage liaison and mutual support.A 9-member committee was elected,and we congratulate Bob Kirby on being offered the post of Secretary.
Among the tasks of the new association will be:investigating the possibilities of new funding sources,esp.from the EEC;assisting the creation of joint projects and joint app--lications;working out a better relationship with the Centre for World Dev.Education; and appointing a full-time officer to put these initiatives into effect.

WHOSE UNIVERSITY ? CONFERENCE MARCH 15th

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY, THE COMMUNITY AND THE THIRD WORLD.

This is the title of a one-day conference/workshop to be held in the Students' Union on Saturday March 15th as part of the Union's "International Week". We hope that you will not only be able to come along on the day but also help us in organising and planning the conference. Further details, leaflets and posters are available from the Union Education Office. Amongst the topics that will be raised are:

COMMUNITY ACCESS

What does Manchester do for the local community? Why should we open up our resources and facilities to the local community? Manchester, like any other large city, has more than its fair share of problems; bad housing, unemployment, poor social and community facilities, particularly for young people, etc. Does this university do anything to help solve these problems or does it merely contribute to making them worse? We will be tackling these questions and attempting to show why, especially if we want support in our work against the cuts, we should be arguing for college resources and facilities to be opened up to community use.

THE INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Research, ideology and multi-national companies. Do universities merely bolster neo-colonialism in the Third World or can they genuinely contribute to Third World development? We will be looking at the role of research in the university and the influence that multi-national companies can have in universities. We will also consider the 'employment game' - graduate recruitment into multi-nationals. Are the economic and political attacks on overseas students merely a financial expedient or are they part of a more overt restructuring of higher education? What are the ideological implications of this and what ideological role is played by universities?

COURSE CONTENT

Student/community plans for socially useful education. Following on from attempts by workers at Lucas Aerospace and other companies to develop 'Workers' Plans for Socially Useful Production' there could be educational equivalents. Starting off with students and staff being given the right to undertake practical work for community groups/projects and trade unions as part of their course, and looking towards planning for restructuring course content to meet the needs of the community, whether in Manchester or Malawi, rather than for private profit or the state bureaucracy. Why shouldn't the content of our education reflect real community needs?

BUSINESS AND MILITARY INTERESTS

Looking at how closely universities service the business and military interests of the commercial and industrial world, as well as functioning in many ways as businesses themselves. How far do these interests control universities? Can the institutions be reformed through increased student and trade union representation, or or does this merely lead to increased co-option into undemocratic structures?

HIGHER EDUCATION AND 'NEW TECHNOLOGY'

'New Technology' has serious implications for higher education and industrial development. There has already been a great deal of discussion about the introduction of'new technology' leading to mass unemployment and a wholesale re-structuring of industry, particularly within the trade union movement. How

How should colleges react and what should student unions and college trade unions be doing about 'new technology'? Is it an inevitable development that we must accept, should we oppose it or can we accept on our own terms?

UNIVERSITY INVESTMENTS AND SOUTH AFRICA

Until a few years ago Manchester University had one of the biggest dis-investment campaigns in the country; calling for the university to disinvest in all companies operating in South Africa. In other colleges this work is still continuing but what can we do in Manchester to bring the campaign into the 1980's? The overt racism of Apartheid still exists and British companies continue to bolster it up by operating in South Africa supported by this university. What can be done to change this situation?

There will also be a workshop on "The University's Hidden History" - see reverse of letter.

WHOSE UNIVERSITY? CONFERENCE SATURDAY 15TH MARCH 1980
STUDENTS' UNION, MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY
10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

EVENTS DIARY

MARCH

Thurs 13th: TOBACCO,Tomorrow's Epidemic? M/c Univ 3rd World Soc.5pm Students Union.

Sat 15th: HIGHER EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT: Conference at M/c Univ Students Union. (see leaflet)

Mon 10th-Thursday 14th: ERITREA WEEK (see leaflet)

Sat 15th: Crafts fair at Birch Community Centre,Rusholme,2-5pm.Helpers needed.

Sun 16th:TRADE UNIONS IN S.AFRICA:Anti-Apartheid educational meeting.Details from Frances Kelly 434 7549.

Mon 17th: WHO NEEDS THE DRUG COMPANIES? M/c Univ 3rd World Soc.5pm Students Union. For details see leaflet.

Mon 17th:ZIMBABWE:Speaker Judith Todd,recently in Zimbabwe during the elections. 7.30pm,St Peters Chaplaincy,Oxford Rd. (Unconfirmed - ring Christian Aid, 273 3647.)

Tues 18th: RACE TODAY EDITOR ON TRIAL.(phoney 'obstruction'charge).Magistrates Court, Crown Sq,Manchester.

Tues.18th:WAR ON WANT.Special Meeting to set up Manchester War on Want group,in the light of recent grant to Shanti to employ two workers.See page 2.

Fri 21st: CHILE SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN:first public shwoing of new video-tape on the lives of L.American refugees in the UK.Film amd Video Workshop,7.30pm. (236 6953).Also a showing of Jonathan Dimbleby film 'The Painful Hour'.

Sat 22nd: CHILE SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN: "THE SPIRAL" highly acclaimed film on Chile. First M/c showing.At MARC,61 Bloom St,off Prineess St.Tickets from Grass Roots bookshop or Paul Morris,c/o MCCR.(834 95$3),£1.(£1.50 both nights).

Sat 22nd:WAR ON WANT AGM,Kenilworth Hotel,Gt Russell St,London WC1.Morning:Business Meeting;afternoon:discussion on Women in Development.Details from Shanti.

Fri 28th:RETURNED VOLUNTEER ACTION:Manchester group's monthly meeting.7pm (bring grub) at Kate and Bob Shaw's,9 Handforth Grove,Manchester 14.(225 5506).

Sat 29th:HARRISBURG DAY - ANTI NUCLEAR DEMO.Train to London,ring 226 7329/225 3141.

Sat 29th: NICARAGUA NATIONAL CONFERENCE.10.00-5.00pm,London.Details:Third World First, 232 Cowley Rd Oxford .

Sun 30th:URANIUM MINING - national meeting.Details:Greenpeace,6 Endsleigh St,London WC1. Venue:Conway Hall,Red Lion Sq,London.

Mon 31st: KARAXU - one of the most outstanding Chilean folk bands in Europe.Lesser Free Trade Hall,Peter St.Details and tickets:P.Morris,as above. £1:proceeds to a community project in Chile. Unique opportunity!

APRIL

Wed 2nd: CHULE SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN.Meeting of Manchester Committee.Film amd Video Workshop,Caley St(by Oxford Rd Stn),7.30pm.

18-20th:THIRD WORLD FIRST CONFERENCE:'Britain's Role in Underdevelopment'.OXFORD. Speakers include Judith Hart,workshops on Aid,Transnationals,Colonial History, Hong Kong,Volunteering,Zimbabwe.Conf.fee £7.Details:3W1,0865 45678.

28-29th:EDUCATION FOR INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING:Exhibition of books for and from the Third World.Institute of Education,20Bedford Way,London WC1.Also a Coference on "Education for Life in a Changing World" - range of educational speakers.

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